

Social Housing Committee August Report

Committee leadership: Allie Lahey, Will Shattuc

Committee report summary:

- We continued to canvass in South Berkeley, East Oakland and West Oakland as well as numerous BART stations

Major projects update:

Canvassing

- We continued to canvass through election day, including BART canvassing around the East Bay
- Multiple Prop 10 banner drops

Committee

- We've adopted Richard M. and Keith B.'s social housing statement as a foundational document for the committee

State-wide DSA Housing Work

- CA DSA chapters will continue to have a monthly call about housing
- Richard Marcantonio and Keith Brower-Brown have been hosting calls to write a joint statement about Social Housing with some of our coalition partners - this will be an invaluable tool for the committee's focus going forward

Next steps:

- Have a debrief as a committee
- Have an Open housing meeting on December 5th to recruit new members and get the ball rolling on new projects
- Speak with coalition partners about what their upcoming plans are

Upcoming events:

- Housing Open Meeting December 5th

Support requirements:

- What is the purview of neighborhood groups compared to a committee? We want to work closely with the Oakland neighborhoods groups and don't know the guidelines around that? Do we have the authority to help establish a new neighborhood group?

- Tenants Together has asked us to possibly become a member of their statewide coalition. They specifically want to do tenant organizing and say likely they would interact with DSA on a chapter by chapter basis. I have a call Friday December 7th with one of their organizers, as well as other DSA chapter heads, to discuss specifics. There would be a \$500 dues fee.
- Simon from Sacramento DSA is going to start organizing a monthly CA DSA newsletter with chapter updates as well as needs. Something to look out for.